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Region VIII

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Mary Dalton, Medicaid & Health Services Manager
Montana Department of Health & Human Services
1400 Broadway
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Re: SPA MT-11-043

Dear Ms Dalton:

We have reviewed the proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) submitted under transmittal number (TN) 11-043. This SPA revises the Montana State Plan to assure compliance with Section 2302 of the Affordable Care Act and thus removes the prohibition of receiving curative treatment upon the election of the hospice benefit by or on behalf of a Medicaid eligible child.

Please be informed that this State Plan Amendment is approved effective July 1, 2011. We are enclosing the CMS-179 and the amended plan page(s).

If you have any questions regarding this SPA please contact Diana Maiden at 303-844-7114.

Sincerely,

/s/

Richard C. Allen
Associate Regional Administrator
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